IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: INSERT PIECE FOR A CONTAINER HOLDING A LIQUID WHICH IS TO BE HEATED OR COOLED, CONTAINER HAVING AN INSERT PIECE OF THIS NATURE, AND PROCESS FOR FORMING AN INSERT PIECE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

After the last page of claims, please replace the Abstract with the new Abstract shown on the attached sheet (ATTACHMENT I).

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows. A copy of the claims marked up to show the amendments is attached (ATTACHMENT II).

1. (Amended) An insert piece for a container holding a product which is to be heated or cooled, which insert piece defines a substantially elongate space which is intended to accommodate a heating or cooling means, the insert piece having a peripheral wall with a closed end and an open end, which open end is provided with an outwardly projecting rim

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